IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

DUBLIN DIVISION

KENTAVIUS EVANS,)
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Plaintiff,)
·)
v.) CV 322-172
)
DOUGLAS WILLIAMS, Warden of)
Wheeler Correctional Facility,)
)
Defendant.)

MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Plaintiff, incarcerated at Telfair State Prison in Helena, Georgia, commenced the above-captioned case *pro se* and requested permission to proceed *in forma pauperis* ("IFP"). On November 14, 2022, the Court directed Plaintiff to return his Prisoner Trust Fund Account Statement and Consent to Collection of Fees forms within thirty days and advised Plaintiff all prisoners, even those proceeding IFP, must pay the filing fee of \$350.00 in full. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1). (See doc. no. 6, pp. 2-5.) Plaintiff was cautioned failure to respond would be an election to have this case voluntarily dismissed without prejudice. (See id. at 5.) The time to respond has passed, and Plaintiff has not submitted the IFP documents as required by the Court's November 14th Order. In particular, Plaintiff did not provide his consent to the collection of fees, and the only financial information is a list of obligations and withdrawals, (doc. no. 7), not a trust account statement verified by a prison official. Nor has Plaintiff provided the Court with any explanation why he has not complied.

Plaintiff cannot proceed IFP unless he submits the requisite Trust Fund Account Statement and consents to the collection of the entire \$350.00 filing fee in installments. Wilson v. Sargent, 313 F.3d 1315, 1319, 1321 (11th Cir. 2002) (citing 28 U.S.C. § 1915). Plaintiff has been warned that failing to return the necessary IFP papers would be an election to have his case voluntarily dismissed. As Plaintiff has neither fulfilled the requirements for proceeding IFP, nor paid the full filing fee, the Court **REPORTS** and **RECOMMENDS** this case be **DISMISSED** without prejudice and this civil action be **CLOSED**.

SO REPORTED and RECOMMENDED this 5th day of January, 2023, at Augusta, Georgia.

BRIAN K. EPPS

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA